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SUBJECT: LIBERATION GROUPS AND PORTUGUESE SIGN AGREEMENT

1. AFTER INTENSIVE NEGOTIATIONS ALL DAY MARCH 27, THE THREE
LIBERATION GROUPS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT
SIGNED AN AGREEMENT AT THREE A.M. MARCH 28 UNDER THE TERMS OF WHICH
CIVILIANS WILL BE DISARMED, EXCESS MILITARY FORCES WILL BE REMOVED
FROM LUANDA AND PRISONERS WILL BE RELEASED. THE AGREEMENT WAS
SIGNED BY HIGH COMMISSIONER GENERAL ANTONIO DA SILVA CARDOSO,
FOREIGN MINISTER ERNESTO AUGUSTO NELO ANTUES, INTERTERRITORIAL
MINISTER ANTONIO DE ALMEIDA SANTOS, AND THE THREE PRESIDENTIAL
COUNCIL MEMBERS : LOPO DE NASCIMENTO (MPLA), JOHNNY EDUARDO (FNLA)

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AND JOSE N'DELE (UNITA).

2. A FREE TRANSLATION OF THE TEXT FOLLOWS:

1. MIXED MILITARY FORCES:

A) THE PORTUGUESE ARMED FORCES SHALL WITHIN TWO DAYS PROVIDE THREE BARRACKS FOR THE MIXED MILITARY FORCES.

B) OFFICIALS OF THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS SHALL BE PROVIDED WITH ADEQUATE OFFICE SPACE WITHIN TWO DAYS.

C) THE PORTUGUESE MILITARY WILL TURN OVER TO THE THREE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS EQUIPMENT, INCLUDING VEHICLES.

D) THE MIXED MILITARY OFFICE WILL WITHIN EIGHT DAYS PROCEED TO INTEGRATE INTO THE MIXED MILITARY FORCES IN THE CITY OF LUANDA 500 MEN FROM EACH OF THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS. WITHIN THE SAME PERIOD THE OFFICE WILL PROCEED TO INTEGRATE 100 MEN FROM EACH OF THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS INTO THE ANGOLA POLICE CORPS.

2. LEGAL MEASURES TO CONTROL WEAPONS OF WAR:

THE TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT WILL IMMEDIATELY CREATE THE NECESSARY LEGAL PROVISIONS TO APPREHEND WITHIN A SHORT SPAN OF TIME, ALL ILLEGAL WEAPONS OF WAR IN THE HANDS OF CIVILIANS, AS WELL AS TAKE MEASURES PERTAINING TO PUNISHMENT AND DETENTION. RESPONSIBILITY FOR CARRYING OUT THE FOREGOING PROVISIONS LIES EXCLUSIVELY WITH THE THREE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS AND WITH THE PORTUGUESE ARMED FORCES. FOR THAT PURPOSE:

---THE OPERATIONAL COMMAND OF THE MIXED MILITARY FORCES REMAINS ATTACHED TO THE PORTUGUESE MILITARY COMMANDS OF THE AREA;

---A MIXED MILITARY COMMISSION MADE UP OF A REPRESENTATIVE FROM EACH MOVEMENT AND TWO OFFICERS OF THE PORTUGUESE ARMED FORCES WILL SUPERVISE THE CARRYING OUT OF THE AGREED MEASURES. THIS COMMISSION WILL BE NAMED BY MARCH 28 AND WILL FUNCTION FULL TIME IN THE MIXED MILITARY OFFICE.

---THE OFFICES, OR DELEGATIONS, OF EACH OF THE LIBERATION
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MOVEMENTS IN LUANDA SHALL BE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM OF FIFTEEN.

---THE INTERNAL SECURITY OF EACH MOVEMENT SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ITS OWN FORCES.

AS SOON AS THE CURRENT SITUATION RETURNS TO NORMAL, THE NATIONAL DEFENSE COMMISSION WILL PROCEED TO EVACUATE THE EXCESS MILITARY FORCES OF THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS TO AREAS OUTSIDE LUANDA. THE

SITES WILL BE CHOSEN BY AGREEMENT AMONG THE MOVEMENTS AND THE PORTUGUESE ARMED FORCES.

3. RELEASE OF PRISONERS:

THE MOVEMENTS THAT ARE HOLDING PRISONERS WILL RELEASE THEM BY NOON ON MARCH 28, 1975. THIS ACTION WILL BE SUPERVISED BY LIAISON OFFICERS FROM THE LUANDA OPERATIONAL COMMAND AND AN OFFICIAL OF THAT COMMAND.

4. NORMALIZATION OF THE PRISON SYSTEM AND THE FUNCTIONING OF THE COURTS:

THE PRISON SYSTEM, SPECIFICALLY ADMINISTRATION AND PRISON SECURITY, SHALL FROM THIS DATE FORWARD COME UNDER THE MIXED MILITARY FORCES IN ORDER TO ENSURE THE EFFICIENCY AND SECURITY OF THE PROGRAM TO WIPE OUT COMMON DELINQUENCY. MEASURES SHALL BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT SENTENCES ALREADY HANDED DOWN ARE SERVED AND TO ASSURE THE EFFICIENCY AND INDEPENDENCE OF THE COURTS AND THEIR OFFICIALS.

AS A FUNDAMENTAL CONDITION OF PEACE AND ORDER IN ANGOLA IT WAS RECOGNIZED THAT ONLY THOSE OFFICIALS TO WHOM THE LAW GIVES COMPETENCE CAN DECIDE UPON, OR CARRY OUT, DETENTIONS AND ARRESTS. IT WAS ALSO RECOGNIZED THAT AN INDEPENDENT JUDICIAL SYSTEM AND AN EFFICIENT PRISON SYSTEM CONSTITUTE THE BASIC GUARANTEES OF COLLECTIVE SECURITY, ORDER AND PEACE.

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